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TAGS: PORC, UNGA, UN, RQ, ML
SUBJ: COMMITTEE OF 24 CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO

REF: (A) STATE 153477, (B) BAMA KO 2991

1. EMBASSY OFFICER RAISED ISSUE OF PUERTO RICO WITH MAKAN
DEMBELE, AMERICAN DESK, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, ON
AUGUST 10. FRENCH TRANSLATEION OF TALKING POINTS CON-
TAINED REFTEL A WAS USED AND GIVEN DEMBELE.

2. DEMBELE REAFFIRMED BASIC PRINCIPLE OF SELF-DETERMINATION
AS GUIDING MALIAN FOREIGN POLICY AND STATED THAT DECISIONS
ON FUTURE OF PUERTO RICO WERE FOR PUERTO RICANS THEMSELVES
TO MAKE, WITHOUT OUTSIDE PRESSURE. BOTH LATEST ELECTION
RESULTS AND HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH PUERTO RICAN POLITICAL
LEADERS DURING A 1976 IVP VISIT INDICATED TO HIM THAT THERE
WAS LITTLE DESIRE FOR INDEPENDENCE. HE NOTED, HOWEVER,
THAT ELECTION RESULTS DID NOT SHOW CLEAR PREFERENCE
FOR EITHER STATEHOOD OR COMMONWEALTH STATUS.

3. WHEN EMBOFF EMPHASIZED U.S. VIEW THAT PUERTO RICO
WAS INTERNAL MATTER AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT MALI WOULD
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NOT BE UNHELPFUL IN COMMITTEE OF 24, DEMBELE REPLIED
THAT MALIAN POSITION HAD NOT YET BEEN DECIDED BUT
THAT DEPTH OF U.S. CONCERN WAS UNDERSTOOD AND TAKEN
INTO ACCOUNT BT GOM.

4. COMMENT: DEMBELE IS WELL INFORMED ON PUERTO RICO,
AND HIS OBSERVATIONS MIRROR PREVIOUS STATEMENTS BY

SECRETARY GENERAL SEYDOU TRAORE (REFTEL B) INDICATING
MALIAN DESIRE TO AVOID CONFRONTATION ON THIS ISSUE.
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